



The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Greater Napanee hereby proclaims the month of June 2024 as "Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month" in the Town of Greater Napanee.

WHEREAS a stroke occurs every 9 minutes in Canada resulting in physical, emotional, thinking and communication impairments;

AND WHEREAS aphasia is a language disorder affecting 30% of stroke survivors impacting a person's ability to use and comprehend language, it does not affect intelligence;

AND WHEREAS VON is a not-for-profit organization providing post-stroke information, social, emotional and communication supports and stroke-specific exercise programs for both stroke survivors and their families to better cope with life changes related to stroke;

AND WHEREAS persons with stroke and/or aphasia benefit from community supports to promote positive outcomes and improved quality of life;

AND WHEREAS the Greater Kingston VON Stroke Services encourages community members to recognize the warning signs of stroke and to immediately call 911;

AND WHEREAS the Greater Kingston VON Stroke Services encourages community members to learn how to become better communication partners for individuals with aphasia.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Town of Greater Napanee HEREBY PROCLAIMS the month of June 2024 be recognized as "Stroke and Aphasia Awareness Month" in the Town of Greater Napanee.

Mayor Terry Richardson